Sermon Outline

JESUS GIVES LIFE | Geoffrey Lin

Bible Reading: Mark 5:21-43 (p.1431)

"Meet Jesus"		
4/5	Jesus calms the storm	Mk 4:35-41
11/5	Jesus shows us mercy	Mk 5:1-20
18/5	Jesus gives life (Commitment Sunday)	Mk 5:21-43

1. The synagogue leader's daughter is about to die (vv21-24)

- "pleaded earnestly with him" (v23) = lit. "begged" (cf 5:10, 5:12, 5:17)

2. A sick woman comes to Jesus (vv25-34)

- "as good as dead" (both physically and spiritually)
- Q. Why does Jesus stop to talk to the woman after He's healed her?

3. Jesus brings the dead girl back to life (vv35-43)

- "Don't be afraid, just believe" (v36)
 - "trembling with fear" (v33)
 - "your faith [lit. "belief"] has healed you" (v34)
 - when Jesus calmed the storm His disciples were "terrified" [lit. "afraid with a great fear"] (4:41)
 - when Jesus cast out the demons into the herd of pigs, the people of the town were "afraid" (5:15)
- Q. What's the significance of the 12 years?
- "He gave strict orders not to let anyone know about this ..." (5:43)
 - resuscitation in this life vs resurrection to eternal life

4. So what, for us?

Q1. Does Jesus promise to heal us when we're sick or bring the dead back to life if we ask?

The purpose of the 2 miracles in Mk 5:

i. to solve the much bigger problem which afflicts all of us

Mk 2:10 But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins ...

Mk 2:17 On hearing this, Jesus said to them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

ii. to show He has final and ultimate power over life and death

1 Thess 4:13 Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope. 14 For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him.

Q2. Are you intrigued by Jesus? Do you like Him and what He stands for?

If you'd like to "meet Jesus too" ...

Try reading Mark 1-2-1

Come to The Mark Drama (May 24 or May 26) or Explore (4 Sundays, starting June 1)

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